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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
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Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003 for three (3) months from November 27, 2003 to February 27, 2004. An Amendment responding to the Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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